IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace the claim listing with the following:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for synchronizing the motion sequences of at least one main pile and at least one auxiliary pile in a feeder or delivery device of a printing material processing machine, the method comprising:

moving the main pile using a drive and a main pile controller associated with the drive;

moving the auxiliary pile using an additional drive and an auxiliary pile controller associated with the additional drive; and

receiving a start signal at the auxiliary pile controller to move the auxiliary pile, the start signal being received from the main pile controller or from a further, higher-level machine controller, the start signal simultaneously initiating a movement of the main pile.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the moving of the main pile and the moving of the auxiliary pile include moving the main pile and the auxiliary pile a same distance within a same time using the main pile controller and the auxiliary pile controller.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising storing at least one of a last-reached position of the auxiliary pile and a last-reached position of the main pile in at least one of the main pile controller, the auxiliary pile controller and the further, higher-level machine controller.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 3 further comprising moving at least one of the auxiliary and main piles as a function of the at least one of a last-reached position of the auxiliary pile and a last-reached position of the main pile.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising transmitting a travel path of the main pile or a travel path of the auxiliary pile as a setpoint value to the main pile controller or the auxiliary pile controller[[s]], respectively.

Claim 6 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising transmitting the start signal via a communication device between the auxiliary pile controller and the main pile controller.

Claim 7 (original): The method as recited in claim 6 further comprising compensating for delays occurring during signal transmission via the communication device.

Claim 8 (previously presented): The method as recited in claim 1 further comprising measuring disturbances and taking into account the disturbances in the control of the drive and additional drive.

Claim 9 (canceled).

Claim 10 (previously presented): The feeder or delivery device as recited in claim 11 wherein the device is part of a printing press or a folding machine.

Claim 11 (original): A feeder or delivery device of a printing material processing machine having synchronized motion sequences of at least one main pile and at least one auxiliary pile comprising:

a drive for moving the main pile;

a main pile controller associated with the drive;

an additional drive for moving the auxiliary pile; and

an auxiliary pile controller associated with the additional drive, the auxiliary pile controller receiving a start signal to move the auxiliary pile, the start signal being received from the main pile controller or from a further, higher-level machine controller, the start signal simultaneously initiating a movement of the main pile.